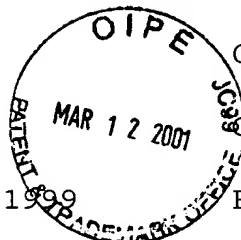


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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated December 11, 2000, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In the Abstract of the Disclosure:

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the rewritten Abstract of the Disclosure located below.

--ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

B<sub>1</sub> A back protector, in particular for motorcyclists, including two vertically aligned supports provided with elements for fixing them to a motorcyclist's body, each of the supports containing a plurality of substantially rigid elements fixed thereto, the lower support being hinged to the upper support by a pin. --